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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

This constitutes an Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. The attached document listed on the accompanying "IDS List of References" (a substitute for Form PTO/SB/08) is hereby brought to the Examiner's attention in the patent application identified above.

REMARKS

The presently submitted reference, Cite No. F1 as listed on the IDS List of References, was cited in a communication issued on April 28, 2009 by the Japanese Patent Office in a counterpart Japanese application, and is not in English.

The reference presently being submitted is among three enumerated under a list of cited documents in the JPO communication. Prior to the one reference presently being submitted, the two other references that the JPO also cited have already been submitted, as Cite Nos. F2 and F5 in an IDS dated May 18, 2006 in the instant case.

**Concise Explanation of Relevance/Copy of Translation
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)**

As a concise explanation of the relevance of Cite No. F1, an English translation of the JPO communication in its entirety, (less some comments on the last page as to formalities), is submitted herewith. A copy of the JPO communication in its entirety follows the English translation.

In addition, an English abstract of Cite No. F1 is available on the Japanese Patent Office website through Patent Abstracts of Japan (PAJ), and a copy of the corresponding PAJ abstract is attached to the front of reference.

STATEMENT AS SPECIFIED IN 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)

The undersigned hereby states that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider this reference, and to indicate so on the accompanying IDS List of References and make the list of record in the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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